House File 674 - Introduced

	HOUSE FILEBY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY		
	(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 93)		
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to reporting the treatment of serious wounds received as the result of a crime to a law enforcement agency and making penalties applicable.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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Section 1. Section 147.111, Code 2009, is amended to read 2 as follows: 147.111 REPORT OF TREATMENT OF WOUNDS AND OTHER INJURIES. $\underline{\mathtt{Any}}\ \underline{\mathtt{A}}\ \mathtt{person}$ licensed under the provisions of this subtitle 5 <u>or certified under the provisions of chapter 147A</u> who shall 6 <u>administer</u> <u>administers</u> any treatment to any person suffering a 7 gunshot or stab wound or other serious injury, as defined in 8 section 702.18, which appears to have been received in 9 connection with the commission of a criminal offense, or 1 10 motor vehicle accident or crash, or to whom an application is 1 11 made for treatment of any nature because of any such gunshot 1 12 or stab wound or other serious injury, as defined in section 1 13 702.18, shall at once but not later than twelve hours 1 14 thereafter, report that fact to the law enforcement agency 15 within whose jurisdiction the treatment was administered or an 1 16 application therefor for treatment was made, or if 1 17 ascertainable, to the law enforcement agency in whose 1 18 jurisdiction the gunshot or stab wound or other serious injury 1 19 occurred, stating the name of such person, the person's 1 20 residence if ascertainable, and giving a brief description of 1 21 the gunshot or stab wound or other serious injury. Any 1 22 provision of law or rule of evidence relative to confidential 1 23 communications is suspended insofar as the provisions of this 1 24 section are concerned. 25

EXPLANATION

This bill relates to reporting the treatment of serious 1 27 wounds to a law enforcement agency.

The bill specifies that a first responder, an emergency 1 29 medical care provider, or any other person certified under 1 30 Code chapter 147A is required to report the treatment of any 1 31 gunshot or stab wound, or any other serious injury, to the 1 32 local law enforcement agency, if such an injury is received in 33 connection with the commission of a criminal offense. Current 34 law specifies that a person licensed under Code chapter 147 is 35 required to report such serious injuries received in connection with a criminal offense to a local law enforcement 2 agency.

The bill also specifies that serious injuries received in 4 connection with a motor vehicle accident or crash are to be 5 reported to the local law enforcement agency by persons 6 required to report.

Under the bill and in current law, any law or rule relating 8 to confidential information is suspended in order to 9 effectuate the reporting of a serious wound received from the 10 commission of a criminal offense.

A person who violates the bill commits a simple misdemeanor 2 12 as provided in Code section 147.113.

 $\bar{\text{A}}$ simple misdemeanor is punishable by confinement for no 14 more than 30 days or a fine of at least \$65 but not more than 13 2 15 \$625 or by both.

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